

September 14, 2007
Public Notice
Tin Cup Timber Sale

The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC), Hamilton Unit, is proposing the Tin Cup Timber Sale on State-owned lands within and adjacent to the Tin Cup fire area. The area proposed for harvest is Section 16, Township 3 North, Range 21 West (Attachment A). DNRC is proposing to salvage harvest approximately 25 MBF of severely and partially burned timber from 29 acres and approximately 275 MBF of live, overstocked Douglas-fir and ponderosa pine from 54 acres within Section 16.

Objectives for the burned portion of the project are to:

- (1) capture the salvage value of the dead and dying trees,
- (2) reduce post-fire insect and disease problems, and
- (3) generate revenue for the Common School Trust

Objectives for the adjacent live stands are to:

- (1) reduce fire risk on the State-owned land and the adjacent private property,
- (2) improve stand vigor which would increase forest productivity and reduce susceptibility to insect and disease problems, and
- (3) generate revenue for the Common School Trust

Other work within the proposed harvest area would include building less than 200 feet of temporary road and grass seeding burned areas and a portion of existing road. The proposed action could be implemented as early as the fall of 2007.

Montana DNRC is currently inviting public comments regarding this proposal. Please send comments by **September 28, 2007** to:

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
Sincerely,

/s/ Paul Moore

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Legend

-  Unit2, 55 Acres
-  Unit1, 28 Acres

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